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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1-4 is/are pending in the application.
 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
 6) Claim(s) 1-4 is/are rejected.
 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
 10) The drawing(s) filed on 19 October 2004 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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Paper No(s)/Mail Date <u>10/19/04</u> . | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application |
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Ashida et al. (WO 02/19369).

With regard to claim 1,

Ashida et al. disclose in at least figures 2 and 5a-f and pages 12-15 a method of manufacturing a plasma display panel (PDP), wherein a structure (71) of the plasma display panel (PDP) is formed with photolithography; and wherein at least one of the structures (71) of the plasma display panel (PDP), in a process of forming the structure (71), is exposed using a plurality of photomasks (53A, 53B) with a same pattern and a different aperture width (W1, W2) of the exposure part, with a different amount of exposure.

With regard to claim 2,

Ashida et al. disclose a method of manufacturing a plasma display panel (PDP) as claimed in claim 1, wherein an amount of exposure through a photomask (53B) with a longer aperture width (W2), is larger than that (53A) with a shorter aperture width (W1).

With regard to claim 3,

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Ashida et al. disclose a method of manufacturing a plasma display (PDP) panel as claimed in claim 2, wherein a larger amount of exposure is approximately two thirds of a total amount of exposure required.

With regard to claim 4,

Ashida et al. disclose in at least figures 2 and 5a-f and pages 12-15 a plasma display panel (PDP) comprising a structure (71) formed with photolithography, wherein at least one of the structures (71), in a state immediately after the exposure, has a different degree of a cross-linking reaction between the edge part and the central part of the pattern shape, and specifically the central part precedes the edge part.

Conclusion

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. USPN 6891331, 2005/0134177.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher M. Raabe whose telephone number is 571-272-8434. The examiner can normally be reached on m-f 7am-3:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nimesh Patel can be reached on 571-272-2457. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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